

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED,
CHEMISTS, &c.
COD LIVER OIL JELLY.

THIS is a sweet and exceedingly palatable jelly easily retained and digested by the most delicate stomach. Children speedily grow fond of it and ask for more, and although it contains 50 per cent. of the purest Cod Liver Oil, all baby taste and flavour is entirely covered.

In glass jars at 7s. 6d. per bottle.
COD LIVER OIL 'GENUINE' NORWEGIAN.
This is without exception the finest oil that can be produced. Great care is taken in selecting healthy livers only in its manufacture, and as we buy direct from the manufacturer, we are able to guarantee it 'Genuine.'

Per bottle, 7s. 6d. and 1s. 2s.
COD LIVER OIL EMULSION.
A form in which the oil can be taken without difficulty by delicate patients and children.

Per bottle, 1s. 2s.
COD LIVER OIL EMULSION WITH HYPOPHOSPHITES (Lime and Soda).
A combination of great value in wasting diseases, especially of the Chest and Respiratory Organs.

Per bottle, 1s. 2s. Per dozen 12s.
BALSAM OF ANISEED AND LIQUORICE.
For the relief of all catarrhal complaints, such as Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness and Soreness of the Chest, &c.

In bottles, 5s. 6d. and 1s. 2s.
BALSAMIC COUGH LOZENGES.
A never failing remedy for Coughs.

In bottles, 5s. 6d. and 1s. 2s.

Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

WE invite attention to the following Brands, all of which are excellent quality and good value for the money.

The same being specially selected by our London House, and bought direct from the most noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

In ordering is only necessary to state the name and quantity of Wine or Spirit wanted, and initial letter for quality desired.

PORTS. (For Invalids and general use.)

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. Alto Douro, good quality, Green Capsule	12	1.00
B. Vintage, superior quality, Red Capsule	12	1.10
C. Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule	12	1.25
D. Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled)	18	1.50

SHERRIES.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule	6	0.60
B. Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	7.50	0.75
C. Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule	10	1.00
D. Superior Old Dry Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule	10	1.10
E. Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice Old Wine, White Seal Capsule	12	1.10
F. Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very fine quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled)	14	1.25

CLARETS.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. Super or Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule	4	0.40
B. St. Estephe, Red Capsule	4.50	0.50
C. St. Julien, Red Capsule	7	0.75
D. La Rose, Red Capsule	11	1.00

MADEIRA, HOCK AND CHAMPAGNES.

FULL PARTICULARS OF THE VARIOUS BRANDS IN STOCK ON APPLICATION.

BRANDY.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule	13	1.20
B. Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule	15	1.40
C. Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule	20	1.75
D. Hennessy's Finest Very Old Cognac, Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule	30	2.50

SCOTCH WHISKY.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. Thorne's Blend, White Capsule	8	0.75
B. Watson's Glenlivet, Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	8	0.75
C. Watson's Aboulin-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark	8	0.75
D. Watson's J. & K. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule	10	1.00
E. Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule	12	1.10

IRISH WHISKY.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule	8	0.75
B. John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule	10	1.00
C. John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule	12	1.10
D. Genuine Bourne Whisky, fine old, Red Capsule, with Name	10	1.00

GIN.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. Fine Old Tom, White Capsule	4.50	0.40
B. Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule	4.50	0.40
C. Fine A. V. H. Geneva	5.25	0.50

RUM.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule	12	1.00
Good "Cedar Island," 5s. 10 per gallon		

LIQUEURS.

Benedictine Maraschino Curacao Heering's Cherry Cordial Chartreuse Dr. Slegers' Angostura Bitters, &c.

PRICES ON APPLICATION.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1892.

At 12, Sans Souci Terrace, Shanghai, on the 4th March, Mrs. J. VALENTINE—a son.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1892.

OUR ONLY Q.C.

THAT irrepressible and usually irresponsible oratorical free-lance, Mr. JOHN JOSEPH FRANCIS, Q.C., has long been noted for the amusing verbosity of his eloquence and the utter recklessness of his publicly expressed statements and opinions, professional and otherwise. While yet a junior member of the bar the learned gentleman's involved arguments and inflated periods were the jest and bye-word of his more experienced colleagues, and even now, after having on the strength of a special recommendation of Sir GEORGE BOWEN as a return for alleged services rendered blossomed into a Colonial Queen's Counsel, and by the long continued dearth in Hongkong of barristers of more than moderate ability become not only the dearest but the autocrat of the local legal trades-union, it may fairly be questioned whether age and years of practice have in the directions indicated very greatly improved the originally rough material. Mr. FRANCIS rarely loses an opportunity of asserting himself with an offensiveness peculiarly his own on every possible opportunity; at all sorts of meetings and other functions his strident voice is the loudest, his dogmatic opinion the most emphatically unqualified. It would appear to make no material difference whether or not he possesses any special knowledge of, or even intelligently understands the subjects of discussion; unfettered by any regard for consistency, the rules of debate, or the ordinary principles of courtesy and decorum which everywhere but in this colony govern the deliberations of educated Englishmen on political, legal, commercial or social questions, acting the obsequious toady and the overbearing tyrant by turns with an assumed frankness which is a prominent characteristic of a man who affects to dispise and disregard public opinion and apparently finds balm for his outraged conscience in the watchword of the Jesuits that the end must justify the means. Mr. FRANCIS poses as an infallible authority on almost every subject under the sun—from the most recent discovery in sanitary science or an intricate problem in modern warfare to the latest system of bookkeeping or the practical development of a gold mine. He is Hongkong's ideal public man; the one overpowering genius who without hesitation would assume sole charge of the Government and the command of our army or navy of defence, teach the members of the Legislative Council, the Sanitary Board, the Chamber of Commerce or the Lock Hospital their respective duties, and he doubtless considers himself equally competent to run a newspaper or a jinkishsa. Admitting, as we frankly do, the universality of this person's far-reaching attainments, the superficial knowledge of ordinary subjects of everyday life which years of more or less constant study has engendered, the superb insolence which brow-beats judges, frightens lawyers and sends unfortunate litigants into hysterics—we are nevertheless forced to the conclusion that Mr. FRANCIS is frequently painfully lacking in discretion, that he often goes too far and rarely knows when he has gone far enough, that he uses without any sort of provocation unnecessarily objectionable language, and that his much to be regretted habit of losing his temper whenever he gets the worst of an argument—so frequently recorded in the annals of the Supreme Court—strongly suggests that old proverb about scratching the Russian and finding the Tartar.

Mr. FRANCIS' appearance at the meeting of the shareholders of the Shamen Hotel and Land Co., Ltd., held last Monday week, will scarcely add to his reputation either as a man of intelligence or as a man of business, and the attitude he assumed can scarcely fail to prejudice him greatly with those whose suffrages he is apparently so very anxious to acquire. Appointed in September last, as the result of some very dubious litigation in which he played the leading rôle, to make certain investigations into the Company's affairs, Mr. FRANCIS would appear to have done absolutely nothing in the matter for five months, in spite of repeated remonstrances from the Directors, and it was not until their report and balance sheet had been published and a general meeting convened to pass the same that the legal expert who had volunteered to cleanse the alleged Augean stable saw fit to do anything whatever.

From the report of the proceedings on the 29th ult. it would seem that Mr. FRANCIS and his colleague Mr. HARRIS, the latter the Company's paid auditor who had actually certified to the accuracy of the balance sheet, had started in at the eleventh hour and prepared a report which they, or at least Mr. FRANCIS, wished to be allowed to read to the meeting without referring it to the consideration and the comments of the Chairman (Mr. FRASER-SMITH) declined to permit such an unheard of step, and as a result Mr. FRANCIS raised a number of objections in a more or less offensive fashion to the form of the accounts, and wound up by moving that their adoption be postponed until a future meeting. No doubt any shareholder possessed the right to criticise the report and accounts, and to make any valid objections he thought proper. But in this case the opposition came with a very bad grace from one man who for five months had neglected work he had willingly undertaken to perform, and from another who had, professionally audited the accounts and made himself responsible for their correctness. But that was not the

worst of it, for the learned gentleman on finding himself in a hopeless minority of votes, so far forgot himself as to recklessly impute improper motives to the Acting Secretary, and it is particularly to that most uncalled-for proceeding that we take grave exception, and which is our excuse for writing this article. That Mr. FRANCIS should have exhibited the bad taste to lose his temper and leave the meeting because he found himself outvoted was bad enough in all conscience, but not contented with indulging in offensive personalities and endeavoring to induce the Company's Auditor to also leave the room, he must needs as a parting shot indulge in what reads like a childish threat to the Chairman. Like many men whose good intentions outrun their discretion, the ubiquitous and enterprising Q.C. may mean well, but even good intentions are but a poor excuse for obstinate perverseness and willful discourtesy. Both for his own sake and in public interests generally we should be glad to see Mr. FRANCIS turn over a new leaf, not by in any way drumming the sphere of his usefulness as a public man, but in his reprehensible methods.

TELEGRAMS.

EXIT SIR JOHN WALSHAM.

LONDON, March 5th.

Sir Nicholas Rodrick O'Connor, G. B., Consul-General at Sofia, replaces Sir John Walsham as British Minister at Peking. Sir John Walsham has been transferred to Bucharest.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AT about five minutes to 8 a.m. on Feb. 26th there was a prolonged shock of earthquake felt in Kobe. The vibrations were, however, gentle.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carill & Co.) inform us that the steamship *Madgull* left Singapore for this port to-day, and is due on or about the 14th inst.

ACCORDING to a telegram from Tientsin received in Shanghai on the 3rd inst., a N.W. gale was then blowing and the ice was still 5 inches thick in the Peiho at Taku.

SEÑOR ORTIZ, who for the past four months has been acting as Consul for Spain at this port, will proceed to Saigon, to resume charge of the consulate there, by French mail to-morrow.

THE Russian ironclad *Pamiat Azova*, Capt. Bauer, and the British cruiser *Penguin*, Commander Moore, left Hongkong to-day; the former for Macao, and the latter for a cruise.

THERE are twelve sailing vessels, fully laden with kerosene oil, on their way to New York to Hongkong. If all goes well they'll come in here with the first few puffs of the S.W. monsoon, in May.

MR. Wise to-day sent up for trial at the Sessions a Chinaman charged with wounding, attempted theft of bangles, and an assault of the usual pepper-throwing kind, in Lyndhurst Terrace on Feb. 18th last.

THE entries for the forthcoming Athletic Sports which closed at 5 o'clock this afternoon indicate that there will be some very keen competitions on Saturday afternoon, the 12th inst. Several of our best sprinters are training for the short races.

FROM Vancouver papers we learn that on Feb. 6th the Chief Justice made an order in the matter of salvage claimed by the steamship *Zambesi* of the Union Line, for saving the schooner *Penny Dulard*. Salvage was granted on the schooner but not on the cargo, the amount of compensation to be determined at some future time.

NOT long ago our morning contemporary referred to the P. & O. steamship *Roma*, burnt and lately refitted, as a new steamer. A Japan paper says of this—"If our Hongkong brother had been born not less than fifteen years ago he might have known the *Roma* when she was new; but now, in 1892, the newest thing about her is this discovery of the *Daily Press*."

AT a Court-martial on H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel* yesterday, presided over by Capt. E. S. Pot, of the *Imperial*, a marine named Evans was sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour and to be dismissed the service, for striking a seaman, and an A.B. named Liden was sent to prison for nine months with hard labour for disobeying a trifling order. Shame!

THERE is absolutely no truth in the rumour that our evening contemporary's very own "Brownie" has been swallowed by a whale. We don't believe there is a decent whale in the universe (which includes the wide waste of waters) capable of digesting such an unwholesome and unsavoury morsel. No! "Brownie" is quite safe until an alligator comes along. Ends of a feathery, &c.

THE Yokohama Police are stated by the *Yokohama Times* to have received information from Hakodate alleging that an Englishman named Thomas Porter, 10 years of age, had absconded having embarked on a steamer bound for Japan, and had been seen at Hakodate.

THE pre-emptive firm of Bottenfield and Swire are not infallible after all. Their latest venture in placing the steamer *Wushong* on the Hongkong-Manila line has not turned out triumphantly. The *Wushong*, which arrived here from Manila on the 6th inst., will leave for the North to-morrow, and is likely to be employed on the Shanghai-Tientsin route. There has been some talk of the "scavenger" chartering a German steamer to run between this port and Manila, but we doubt the probability of such a course being adopted.

THE account of a case of "alleged brutality" on board the steamer *Zambesi*, will certainly be read with a jaundiced eye in reproducing the *Telegraph* report with considerable surprise and doubt by all acquainted with Captain Edwards. It is impossible to credit that two stewards would be "loaded with chains," and be so buffeted about and ill-treated as to drive them to accept an imminent risk of drowning rather than remain on board and be brought back to this country. We are unable to find confirmation of the affair in the *China Mail*, and we trust that subsequent accounts will reveal that the *Telegraph* has been misled. The confirmation was there, all the same, in both our local contemporaries; and subsequent accounts of the finding of a second Japanese, downward, with iron still on him, hardly seem to "revise" that the *Telegraph* has been misled.

THE *Hyogo News* hears that a well-known Kobe merchant has suddenly disappeared from Kobe, much to the regret of his creditors. Mailla is spoken of as his destination.

MR. J. B. ELIAS, an old and well-known resident of Hongkong, was suddenly called upon to "pass in his checks" this morning. The deceased gentleman was a partner in the firm of Billions and Co. and was a popular member of the Hebrew community. Mr. Elias was in Queen's Road yesterday morning and although not in the best of health his sudden demise has come as a shock to his friends. So far as we can gather fever was the immediate cause of death.

THE *China Mail's* prize nincompoop seriously admits that he was once a boy and "enjoyed the supreme moment of receiving a school prize and making an awkward bow at the reception of the gift." This information must be of paramount interest to the "one reader." We wonder for what particular accomplishment "Brownie" ever received a school prize! Judas Iscariot or Balaban? Scarcely likely; playing the common or garden fool is more in his line.

EXPLORE Mr. Wise at the Police Court to-day a Chinese police sergeant named Yu Han was charged with misconduct. Recently a *Yukon* was convicted of assault and theft, and was dismissed from the force. It was now alleged that the sergeant had assisted the *Yukon* in attempting by means of bribery to get the complainant in the case removed. Mr. Denny defended, and the evidence against the sergeant appeared to be very slight. Chief Inspector Mathieson having spoken as to his good conduct during 14 years of police service, the prisoner was acquitted.

THE Canadian Pacific Co.'s mail steamer *Empress of Japan*, Capt. Lee, R.N.R., which arrived here at 5:30 p.m. yesterday, from Vancouver via Japanese ports and Shanghai, made a splendid passage from the last named port, accomplishing the voyage in 48 hours, 40 minutes—which, if we make no mistake, is the fastest time on record. The General Agent of the Company informs us that, at the urgent request of the British Post Office authorities, the *Empress of Japan* was detained at Vancouver four days to await the arrival of the British mails by steamer *Adriatic*, which reached New York four days late. Making allowance for this detention, the *Empress of Japan* arrived in Hongkong the usual two days ahead of contract mail time. A splendid performance.

FOR a first-class exhibition of combined skill and general imbecility as regards simple questions of ordinary exchange business, comment is unnecessary. The discussion took place yesterday at a meeting of the Finance Committee in the Chamber of Commerce. The subject was the proposed extension of the term of the Military Imposition. We don't publish a report of the proceedings, out of sheer pity for the misguided youths who have been "running" the finances of this colony for some considerable time past, to the serious detriment of the rate-payers. Another expert of official incompetency as soon as the disastrous Opium Farm *fiasco* (of which more anon) would probably lead to serious consequences, and we really sympathise with these inexperienced persons who, by the shortcomings of the Service, have been foisted into positions and responsibilities for which they have not the slightest aptitude.

THE eight-oared race between the *Victoria R.C.* and a crew selected from the officers of H.M.S. *Imperial* was decided yesterday afternoon, and resulted in a hollow victory for the naval rowers. The crews were—

H.M.S. *Imperial*: Victoria R.C.
G. L. Lylly (bow). C. H. Duncan (bow).
D. R. I. Nicholson. G. H. Thompson.
E. Stevenson. H. W. Slade.
V. H. Haggard. W. H. Potts.
A. L. Cay. E. Fredericks.
J. M. de Robeck. G. C. C. Mack.
R. H. Ward. M. G. Mann.
Lord Kelvin (stroke). E. G. Sanders (stroke).
B. E. Waters (cox). G. A. Caldwell (cox).

The weather was miserably cold and a nasty sea was all against a fair test of skill. Assisted slightly by the inside position the naval crew at once pulled to the front, and before half the journey was over led a clear length and had apparently taken the measure of their opponents. Sanders spurred pluckily again and again, but it was of no avail, the *Imperial* representatives leading from start to finish, scored a very easy two lengths' victory.

THE once popular Canton river steamer *Kiuhang* will be sold by public auction at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Particulars of the sale are given in an advertisement published in another part of this issue. A steam-launch will leave Peder's Wharf at 2:30 p.m. to take off intending purchasers to the vessel, which is anchored off the Commercial Dock. The *Kiuhang* is a very old vessel, and doubtless her hull is past further active service, but her engines are still in excellent order, and as the Steamboat Company will before long have to augment their fleet to the extent of two or three vessels—that is if they hope to maintain supremacy on the river—it would perhaps be good policy on the part of the Directors to build locally a new vessel of about the same dimensions as the *Kiuhang*, to which the machinery could be adapted. This may be an age of steel and iron for ocean going steamers, and expert opinion has decided that beam engines are obsolete; but all the same the fact remains that the old *Kiuhang* has proved a most useful and economical vessel for river service, and she might be duplicated with very considerable advantage to the interests of the shareholders in the Steamboat Company.

THUS the *N. C. Daily News* of March 5th—No less than twenty-two vessels left Shanghai yesterday, being the largest fleet that has ever left the port in one day, and it represented about 23,000 registered tons of shipping. Out of this number, there were nineteen steamers for the north, and it was mutually agreed by the three big steamship companies that their vessels should leave at 6 a.m., the others not being included in the arrangement. They took among them, besides other cargo, some 40,000 to 45,000 bags of rice goods, and 1,200 native passengers. There was a strong N.E. gale blowing in the morning, and at 10 o'clock the force of the wind at Guttsai was 6, but later in the day, the wind decreased. According to a telegram from Tientsin, there had been no change in the weather since the previous day, and it was still very cold there. The following is the order in which the northern steamers passed Woosung:—

Kiuhang 6.0
Kiuhang 6.10
Kiuhang 6.20
Kiuhang 6.30
Kiuhang 6.40
Kiuhang 6.50
Kiuhang 7.00
Kiuhang 7.10
Kiuhang 7.20
Kiuhang 7.30
Kiuhang 7.40
Kiuhang 7.50
Kiuhang 8.00
Kiuhang 8.10
Kiuhang 8.20
Kiuhang 8.30
Kiuhang 8.40
Kiuhang 8.50
Kiuhang 9.00
Kiuhang 9.10
Kiuhang 9.20
Kiuhang 9.30
Kiuhang 9.40
Kiuhang 9.50
Kiuhang 10.00
Kiuhang 10.10
Kiuhang 10.20
Kiuhang 10.30
Kiuhang 10.40
Kiuhang 10.50
Kiuhang 11.00
Kiuhang 11.10
Kiuhang 11.20
Kiuhang 11.30
Kiuhang 11.40
Kiuhang 11.50
Kiuhang 12.00
Kiuhang 12.10
Kiuhang 12.20
Kiuhang 12.30
Kiuhang 12.40
Kiuhang 12.50
Kiuhang 1.00
Kiuhang 1.10
Kiuhang 1.20
Kiuhang 1.30
Kiuhang 1.40
Kiuhang 1.50
Kiuhang 2.00
Kiuhang 2.10
Kiuhang 2.20
Kiuhang 2.30
Kiuhang 2.40
Kiuhang 2.50
Kiuhang 3.00
Kiuhang 3.10
Kiuhang 3.20
Kiuhang 3.30
Kiuhang 3.40
Kiuhang 3.50
Kiuhang 4.00
Kiuhang 4.10
Kiuhang 4.20
Kiuhang 4.30
Kiuhang 4.40
Kiuhang 4.50
Kiuhang 5.00
Kiuhang 5.10
Kiuhang 5.20
Kiuhang 5.30
Kiuhang 5.40
Kiuhang 5.50
Kiuhang 6.00
Kiuhang 6.10
Kiuhang 6.20
Kiuhang 6.30
Kiuhang 6.40
Kiuhang 6.50
Kiuhang 7.00
Kiuhang 7.10
Kiuhang 7.20
Kiuhang 7.30
Kiuhang 7.40
Kiuhang 7.50
Kiuhang 8.00
Kiuhang 8.10
Kiuhang 8.20
Kiuhang 8.30
Kiuhang 8.40
Kiuhang 8.50
Kiuhang 9.00
Kiuhang 9.10
Kiuhang 9.20
Kiuhang 9.30
Kiuhang 9.40
Kiuhang 9.50
Kiuhang 10.00
Kiuhang 10.10
Kiuhang 10.20
Kiuhang 10.30
Kiuhang 10.40
Kiuhang 10.50
Kiuhang 11.00
Kiuhang 11.10
Kiuhang 11.20
Kiuhang 11.30
Kiuhang 11.40
Kiuhang 11.50
Kiuhang 12.00
Kiuhang 12.10
Kiuhang 12.20
Kiuhang 12.30
Kiuhang 12.40
Kiuhang 12.50
Kiuhang 1.00
Kiuhang 1.10
Kiuhang 1.20
Kiuhang 1.30
Kiuhang 1.40
Kiuhang 1.50
Kiuhang 2.00
Kiuhang 2.10
Kiuhang 2.20
Kiuhang 2.30
Kiuhang 2.40
Kiuhang 2.50
Kiuhang 3.00
Kiuhang 3.10
Kiuhang 3.20
Kiuhang 3.30
Kiuhang 3.40
Kiuhang 3.50
Kiuhang 4.00
Kiuhang 4.10
Kiuhang 4.20
Kiuhang 4.30
Kiuhang 4.40
Kiuhang 4.50
Kiuhang 5.00
Kiuhang 5.10
Kiuhang 5.20
Kiuhang 5.30
Kiuhang 5.40
Kiuhang 5.50
Kiuhang 6.00
Kiuhang 6.10
Kiuhang 6.20
Kiuhang 6.30
Kiuhang 6.40
Kiuhang 6.50
Kiuhang 7.00
Kiuhang 7.10
Kiuhang 7.20
Kiuhang 7.30
Kiuhang 7.40
Kiuhang 7.50
Kiuhang 8.00
Kiuhang 8.10
Kiuhang 8.20
Kiuhang 8.30
Kiuhang 8.40
Kiuhang 8.50
Kiuhang 9.00
Kiuhang 9.10
Kiuhang 9.20
Kiuhang 9.30
Kiuhang 9.40
Kiuhang 9.50
Kiuhang 10.00
Kiuhang 10.10
Kiuhang 10.20
Kiuhang 10.30
Kiuhang 10.40
Kiuhang 10.50
Kiuhang 11.00
Kiuhang 11.10
Kiuhang 11.20
Kiuhang 11.30
Kiuhang 11.40
Kiuhang 11.50
Kiuhang 12.00
Kiuhang 12.10
Kiuhang 12.20
Kiuhang 12.30
Kiuhang 12.40
Kiuhang 12.50
Kiuhang 1.00
Kiuhang 1.10
Kiuhang 1.20
Kiuhang 1.30
Kiuhang 1.40
Kiuhang 1.50
Kiuhang 2.00
Kiuhang 2.10
Kiuhang 2.20
Kiuhang 2.30
Kiuhang 2.40
Kiuhang 2.50
Kiuhang 3.00
Kiuhang 3.10
Kiuhang 3.20
Kiuhang 3.30
Kiuhang 3.40
Kiuhang 3.50
Kiuhang 4

public safety instead of raising silly and idiotic objections to the electric light. "The poles would look unsightly on Shamen," is the excuse for their frivolous objection. What next, I wonder?

With regard to these French missionary houses, the first lot, four hundred, were finished about eighteen months ago, and the inner coating of the walls is so soft that you can bore a hole in it with your finger. The other lot, comprising four hundred houses, were completed two months since. They have been built on badly drained foundations, with the commonest and cheapest bricks procurable (which almost break if you look at them), the mortar used looks like sand, no precautions have been taken against white ants, there is no proper drainage, and in fact they are just about as cheap and nasty as will could be. People live in them because they cannot obtain decent accommodation elsewhere. I wouldn't personally occupy one of these houses if they paid me \$40 per month for doing so, instead of charging me that amount for rent. There is great need on Shamen for a number of medium sized and well-built houses for Europeans, and I am sure if the owners of lots of the French concession would only build them they would quickly find plenty of tenants at remunerative rents.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

LONDON, January 30th.
A manifesto has been issued by the Zemstvo or district and provincial assemblies in Russia, in which it is declared that society generally is indifferent to the sufferings of the people from the famine, while the Government have filled the jails and the penal settlements in Siberia with suspects, and robbed the country of the benefits of the reforms initiated by the late Alexander II. The manifesto further demands the holding of a conference of representatives elected by the people and the landed proprietors as the only means of averting a revolution.

Peter Jackson, the Australian coloured pugilist, has made a deposit of £500 to blind his match with F. P. Slavin.

Excited debates have taken place in the Prussian Legislature on the new Education Bill, which the Government propose to use as a weapon against Atheism. The bill was strongly opposed by the National, Liberal, and Radical parties, and General von Caprivi, President of the Council of Ministers, who made a powerful speech in support of the measure, was abused. The Ministers then withdrew abruptly from the Diet. Later information states that General von Caprivi has adopted a more conciliatory tone in connection with the Prussian Education Bill, which has been referred to a committee of the House.

The Hungarian general elections, which have just taken place, have scarcely altered the political situation in that country.

During the general elections in Hungary some serious riots took place, in which six persons were killed and thirty wounded.

A semi-official announcement has been made that His Holiness the Pope is suffering somewhat from overwork, but as regards his health he is fairly well.

It is understood that the Gladstonian party are making arrangements, on the reassembling of Parliament in February, to refuse to grant supplies beyond a short period, with a view to compelling the Government to dissolve Parliament, and bringing about a general election by midsummer.

At the sitting of the Labour Commission today Mr. Samuel Plimsoll gave some sensational evidence as to dock loading, bad food, and fraudulent insurance in connection with a class of steamers known as "ocean tramps."

Mr. Tom McCarthy, who also gave evidence, assured the Commission that if the adoption of the eight hours day of labour failed to absorb the unemployed, he would reduce the hours to six, or four, or even two per day.

Mr. Morton, secretary of the Home Rule Union, in an article published in the "Contemporary Review," declares that the colonies are unreservedly in favour of granting home rule to Ireland.

Six thousand engineers employed in the ship building works on the river Tyne and Wear have struck work in order to support the engineers at the Jarow works in their demands with regard to overtime.

An article has been published in the *Observer* advocating the handing over of the Colonial fleet to the Australian colonies at an earlier date than was intended. The article also recommends that an addition should be made to the fleet prior to forming a naval establishment at Sydney.

The printers in Berlin, who were lately on strike, have resolved to join the Social Democrats, owing to the failure of their own organisation to relieve them from the shackles of capitalism.

The Portuguese Government have introduced fresh taxation in order to provide for the Budget deficit, which amounts to £5,000,000.

In order to assist in the scheme of retrenchment, Carlos has decided to forego one fifth of the amount of his civil list.

The King of Portugal has a civil list of 305,000 milreis (about £21,000), while his consort has a grant of 100,000 milreis. The whole grant to the royal family amounts to 571,000 milreis (about £41,700).

The brig *Fernando*, from Newcastle N.S.W., bound for Portland, Oregon, has been wrecked at Gray's Harbour, Washington Territory U.S.A. Twenty persons were drowned.

Later information states that the captain and officers of the *Fernando* were drowned, and only three of the seamen were saved.

The *Fernando* was a new steamer of 1,300 tons, registered at London, and was owned by J. Henry Ingle & Co., and her port of registry was Liverpool. She left Newcastle on the 6th November last for Portland with 2,000 tons of coal.

Further disorders of a serious nature in connection with the Sunday parades of the Salvation Army took place at Eastbourne yesterday. The Army was mobbed by a crowd of roughs, and many of the "lancers" were trampled to the ground.

Prices of food in Paris are rising in consequence of the new tariff, which comes into operation to-day.

Several of the Parisian papers are asking how contracts can be safely made in view of the precarious character of the new tariff, and they accuse the Protectionists of plunging France into a dangerous venture.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has ordered that prayers be offered in the Anglican Churches for a cessation of the epidemic of influenza.

It is announced that Mr. Gladstone will remain on the Continent for the present, as his friends fear that he may be again attacked by influenza should he return to London.

The International Conference, which lately met at Venice to consider the question of the reorganisation of the Alexandria Sanitary Commission and the passage of vessels in quarantine through the Suez Canal, has now closed. The resolutions adopted provide for the establishing of an efficient hospital in connection with the canal, and that no ship shall be detained longer than five days. Special rules are made applicable to mail steamers on their giving guarantees.

The representative of Great Britain has not signed the convention drawn up by the

Conference, reserving the question of the passage of troops through the canal.

Eight thousand engineers connected with the shipbuilding works on the Tyne and Wear are now out on strike, and it is feared that the strike will extend so far as to involve 30,000 men.

It is asserted that the Czar is about to restore serfdom in the districts of Samara and Saratoff, and if the attempt should prove successful in these districts it will be extended to the whole of the Russian Empire.

In connection with the report that serfdom is to be restored in Russia, it appears that the Czar proposes to rebuild the peasantry to the soil, compelling them to cultivate the land, the State retaining two-thirds of the produce, and one-third to be stored in the magazines of the Commune for the support of the peasants. The experiment is to be tried in two districts.

The memorial recently issued by the Russian Zemstvos predicts that, unless the Government changes its attitude, Russia will become bankrupt or be dimembered through a popular rising, deluging it with the blood of the people.

It has been discovered that an attempt was made by incendiaries to destroy the ancient royal castle at Königsberg, in Prussia. The attempt, however, failed, but thousands of the place were found to have been saturated with petroleum.

February 2nd.
Baron Hirsch, who has taken to hand the over-crowded settlement of the expatriated Russian Jews, states that he is favourable to the establishment of a Jewish colony in Western Australia if he is assured of the countenance of the Government and people of the colony.

The health of Princess May (Princess Victoria Mary of Teck), who was betrothed to the late Duke of Clarence, is now restored.

A mutton famine is threatened in Paris in consequence of the great increase in the tariff on dead meat from Germany and Austria.

It is considered probable that the *modus vivendi* between Great Britain and the United States on the question of sealing in Behring Sea will be renewed for another year, pending the decision of the arbitrators to whom the dispute is to be submitted.

A resolution has been tabled in the House of representatives at Washington demanding the recall of Mr. Patrick Egan, United States Minister to Chili.

It is stated that the Pope is somewhat enfeebled by the cold weather now prevailing.

It is announced that if the reconnaissance in the Antarctic regions about to be undertaken under the auspices of Captain David Gray, of Peterhead, Scotland, and Baron Oscar Dickson, of Sweden, and under the command of a son of Baron Nilsen, should prove successful, Baron Dickson is likely to send Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, on the return of the latter from the Polar expedition which he intends undertaking next year, to spend a year in the Antarctic regions.

Dr. Nansen considers that the failure to raise the necessary funds in Australia for the proposed Antarctic expedition promoted and largely subsidised by Baron Dickson, is the result of bad management.

The death is announced of Colonel Sir Herbert Sandford, R.A., K.C.M.G., in his 66th year.

A number of sergeants in the Twelfth German Army Corps have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from two to five years for inhuman treatment of the men serving under them.

The strike in the boot trade at Bristol has been referred to arbitration.

The North German Lloyd's steamer *Elder* which went ashore on the Isle of Wight is reported to be filling, and any attempt at getting her off is regarded as hopeless.

Information received to-night states that rescue operations have been successfully continued, and the whole of the crew of the *Elder* brought safely ashore.

The Marquis of Salisbury addressed a meeting of 10,000 persons at Exeter to-night.

In the course of his speech Lord Salisbury declared that Abbas, the new Khedive of Egypt, would follow the policy of his late father. Referring to home affairs, the Premier stated that the Government were very anxious to multiply small holdings in the agricultural districts, but to make a present of Government money as a supplement to the provision for old age among the people would be a very silly proceeding. Ireland, he stated, was still the burning question, but the granting of a separate Parliament to that country would produce results, which would compel the world to declare that England was in a state of senility, and he appealed to the country to avert such a crowning calamity and disgrace.

Lord Salisbury gave no hint in his speech of any intention on the part of the Government to dissolve Parliament.

In his speech at Exeter last night Lord Salisbury declared that the forthcoming general election would be only the beginning of a protracted struggle, and if England lacked the nerve and manliness to control Ireland one by one the flowers would be plucked from the diadem of the Empire until Great Britain stood alone.

The parleyings between France and Spain with a view to the prolonging of the old tariff have failed, and the wine interest is excited in consequence.

In the case of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company v. Roberts, the Court has reserved judgment.

The libelous had great difficulty in rescuing the crew of the *Elder*, as a furious gale was blowing. The steamer has now become a total wreck. It is supposed that the officers of the *Elder* hunted the *Norddeutscher* light with the light on Hurst Castle, and thus ran the vessel aground.

The Baroness Albert de Rothschild is reported to be dying from cancer.

The Casaria, who has been ill for some time past, is now improving in health.

There were 507 deaths from influenza registered in London last week; the general death rate was 41 per 1,000.

Such, the Italian faster, and Professor Germain, the steamship, who has lately been exhibited at the Westminster Royal Aquarium, will shortly visit Australia.

It is understood that the Governments of Russia, Germany, Austria, and Greece are each arranging for the issue of a large loan.

The operation of the new tariff is causing general inconvenience in Paris, and it is feared that the exports of sheep into France from Germany and Austria will be reduced by one-half.

Many of the Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committee of the United States House of Representatives are in favour of a larger reduction in the tariff on woolen goods than is provided in the bill to be introduced by Mr. Springer, chairman of the committee, and are in favour of a reduction of 40 per cent.

Two thousand more engineers in the shipbuilding yards on the Tyne and Wear have now struck work.

It appears that the strike originated in a quarrel between the engineers and the plumbers with reference to the division of work.

The Rev. Mr. Wood, of Clifton, has been appointed secretary of the Congregational Union.

There has been a serious outbreak of intestinal calarr in Vienna, 60,000 cases having been reported.

February 9th.
It has been reported that the North German

Lloyd's steamer *Elder* which was wrecked on the coast of the Isle of Wight, is uninsured. She had specie on board to the amount of £300,000, which was saved.

Frozen wheat from the River Plate is now selling freely in Paris, where there has been great scarcity in consequence of the new tariff checking the import of wheat from Germany and Austria, but the supplies available will be only sufficient for a few days.

The Portuguese Chamber of Deputies has refused to discuss the question of the sale of the African colonies, as was recently proposed with a view to reducing the national debt.

A labour strike has occurred at Lisbon, and a matter serious outbreak took place there yesterday, the bakers' shops being pillaged.

Mr. Cox, speaking in Dublin last night, declared that there were not more than five people in the whole of Australia who sided with the Parrellites.

It is stated that the Russian Jews who have been recently sent to the Argentine Republic (now about to return).

It is alleged that officers of the Russian Red Cross Society have embezzled 1,000,000 roubles out of the sum which they were entrusted for the relief of the sufferers from the famine.

The colonial Agents General will make a joint application to the War Office to appoint an officer to the position of Military Adviser to the Governments of the Australian Colonies in place of Major General E. H. Stewart.

It is now understood that instead of a Royal Commission being appointed to inquire into matters connected with the influenza epidemic, the Local Government Board will undertake the necessary inquiries.

In connection with the proposed issue of large banknotes by several European Governments it is said that doubt whether a German three percent. loan would be successfully floated.

A serious disaster has occurred at Breslau, an important city of Silesia (Prussia), situated on the Oder River, a mass of drift ice sweeping down the river has done thirty barges away from their moorings, and forty persons were drowned.

LI HUNG-CHANG'S SEVENTIETH BIRTHDAY.

BANQUET TO FOREIGNERS.

To celebrate the anniversary of his seventieth birthday Li Hung-chang, Viceroy of Chihli, entertained representatives of the foreign community at a banquet in the Garden Hall, Peking, on February 11th. Needless to say it was a most gorgeous function, but its greatest interest to foreigners lies in the speeches made by Mr. Byron Brennan, Consul for Great Britain, and Li Ching-mai, son of the great Viceroy. We are indebted for the text of these speeches to the *Sin Sui* contemporary, the *N. C. Daily News*.

It is probably known to all residents in China that the Viceroy Li Hung-chang has just passed the seventieth anniversary of his birthday. For weeks previous to the event the *yan* doors were besieged by bearers of presents from near and far, most notable among them, those that came from the palace in Peking. Expressions of congratulation were also received from foreign representatives, as well as from Chinese high officials. The Viceroy's recent recovery from a dangerous illness rendered these expressions very appropriate in view of his influence in China, his close relations with the throne, and his friendly attitude towards foreign nations.

The Viceroy emphasised his friendly feeling by deciding to give a banquet to the foreign residents and leading native officials. As all could not be included in the assembly of guests at dinner, invitations were issued with the intention of making the company as representative as practicable. The dinner was to be followed by pyrotechnics and theatricals which all were invited to witness.

The day appointed, the 6th of February was a day of great festivity, and the celebration of the death of a young and beloved son, the celebration of the birthday of the Viceroy, and the celebration of his purpose. Gordon Hall was placed at the Viceroy's disposal by the Municipal Council, and every assistance in the way of preparation and decoration was cordially rendered. A prominent stage was erected at one end of the Hall, and the rest of the space reserved for the tables, five in number, which were laid to accommodate 100 guests; there were Chinese guests, and the services and followers of Chinese guests appeared to be plentiful and occupied all standing room.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

As you entered the Hall, the character for "longevity" in large gilt outline, at the back of the stage, first caught the eye. The stage was now pointed to receive the entrance of the guests, and a typical stage play was being acted; all alive with movement, the floral display at this season of the year in the North, in fact of the question, but this I do not wish to touch upon, as it is a matter of local interest and not of general importance.

The feast consisted of alternate courses of native and foreign dishes, and was managed in very good form by a native chef. The decorations were mostly "Chines" flags were suspended and draped from the pillars and ceiling, so as to produce a very fine effect overhead.

Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 141 per cent. prem., ex. div. buyers.

The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £4.00 paid up, 40 per cent. dis., sales and buyers.

The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$200 per share, buyers.

The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$100 per share, sellers.

The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares, £70 per share, sales and buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 R—21 per cent. premium, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent. premium, buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—14 per cent. premium, buyers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$91 per share, sales and buyers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$61 per share, sellers.

North China Insurance—Tid. 255 per share, sellers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$102 per share, sellers.

Yankee Insurance Association—\$108, buyers.

On Tal Insurance Company, Limited—Tid. 150 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$305 per share, sales.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$91 per share, ex. div. buyers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$351 per share, buyers.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company—35 per share, sellers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—25 per cent. discount, sales and buyers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$37 per share, sellers.

The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$80 per cent. premium, sellers.

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.

The Austin Arms and Building Company, Limited—\$8 per share, buyers.

The Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.

The Shamrock Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.

Paragon and Sargate D.S. Samantian Mining Co.—\$11 per share, sellers.

The Raul Gold Mining Co., Limited—65 cents per share, sellers.

Imperial Mining Co., Limited—\$71 per share, buyers.

The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.

Tonghai Coal Mining Co.—\$330 per share, sellers.

The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$6 per share, buyers.

The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—21 cents per share, sellers.

London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$8, sellers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$160 per share, sellers.

Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$52 per share, sellers.

A.S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$18 per share, buyers.

Guilford & Co., Limited—\$7 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.

The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—168 per share, sellers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$23 per share, buyers.

The Lakub Planting Co., Limited—\$2 per share, sales.

The China-Borneo Co., Limited—nominal.

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$36 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$58 per share, sales and buyers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$115 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$72 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—465 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$10 per share, nominal.

The Green Island Cement Co.—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$44 per share, sales and buyers.

The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$21 per share, nominal.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$50 per share, sellers.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/10 1/2

Bank Bills, on demand 2/11

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/11 1/2

Credits at 4 months' sight 2/11 1/2

Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/11 1/2

ON PARIS—Bank, T. T. 2/10 1/2

Bank Bills, on demand 2/11

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/11 1/2

On India, T. T. 2/10 1/2

On Demand 2/10 1/2

ON SHANGHAI—Bank, T. T. 2/10 1/2

Private, to have 2/10 1/2

VISITORS AND RESIDENTS AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

Mr. & Mrs. Armstrong. Mr. & Mrs. J. J. Searling.

Mr. & Mrs. Armstrong. Miss Elmer.

Major & Mrs. Chapman. Hqn. Wm. Maxwell.

Mr. S. H. Cohen. Mr. W. M. Coulling.

Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Cohen. Mr. George Fenwick.

Rev. A. F. Hall. Mr. T. Mitchell.

Com. R. D. Hitchcock. Capt. Burgess Watson.

Mr. R. D. Hitchcock. Dr. Schmidt.

Miss Hitchcock. Mr. A. S. Truman.

Mr. J. McGregor. Lieut. R. H. Miner.

Mr. James McWilliam. Miss Nancy Wilcox.

Mr. John G. Wright. Mrs. Norton.

Mr. J. Kinchum. Mr. Emil Zobel.

Mr. Robt. Lyall. Mr. James H. Velich.

Mr. A. B. McKinn. Mr. Th. M. Parry.

Mr. Fred A. Shean. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Walker.

Mr. J. F. Sawyer. Mr. E. A. Palmer.

Major Turner. Mr. J. E. E. Corroty.

Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Thayer. phice.

Master Grover Thayer. Mr. Louis Longou.

Mrs. and Miss Dobson. Mr. A. E. Holt.

Captain A. T. Tibbitt.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

CALEDONIAN, French steamer, 4,241, Flandin, 8th March—Shanghai 5th March, Malls and General—Messageries Maritimes.

ROMULUS, German steamer, 1,750, W. Bernd, 8th March—Nagasaki 4th March, Ballast—Stemship & Co.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, H. Hygom, 8th March—Helsingborg, and Helsingborg, 6th March—A. R. Matty.

THALES, British steamer, 820, J. Lewis, 8th March—Taiwan 4th March, Amoy 5th, and Swatow 7th, General—D. Laprak & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Haitian, British steamer, for Swatow, &c. Teresa, British steamer, for Amoy, &c. Batavia, British steamer, for Kobe, &c.

DEPARTURES.

March 7, Nanchang, British str., for Canton. March 8, Triumph, German str., for Hainan. March 8, Oriole, British steamer, for Amoy. March 8, Lyceum, German str., for Shanghai. March 8, Telamachus, British steamer, for Singapore.

March 8, Teresa, British steamer, for Amoy, &c. March 8, Haitian, British str., for Swatow, &c. March 8, Batavia, British str., for Kobe, &c. March 8, Clara, German str., for Halphong. March 8, Charles Towers, British steamer, for Kutchinow.

March 8, Telamachus, British steamer, for Singapore.

March 8, Wuchang, British str., for Shanghai. March 8, Pungin, British steamer, for a cruise. March 8, Pamiel Asova, Russian gunboat, for Macao.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per Caledonia, str., from Shanghai for Hongkong—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cotnam, and ayah, Miss Davine, Messrs. Chas. J. S. Kelsall, Rodriguez, Botelho, A. E. Holt, F. Tsu, and 3 Chinese. From Yokohama—Mr. J. Foster. From Marcellus—Mr. and Mrs. Miss Stienbeck. From Kobe—Messrs. Hotsumi, Bogawa, and 20 Japanese. From Yokohama for Colombo—Mr. Corstorphine. For Marcellus—Messrs. Hicks, C. Graves, and Longou.

Per Thales, str., from Taiwan, &c.—Rev. and Miss MacGowan, Mr. Gore, and 104 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship Thales reports that she left Taiwan on the 4th instant, Amoy on the 5th, and Swatow on the 7th. From Taiwan to Amoy had light wind with smooth sea and foggy weather. From Amoy to Swatow had fresh breeze and overcast sky with heavy weather. From Swatow to port had fresh breeze and moderate sea and cloudy weather. At Swatow the steamship Fokien, Nanshan, Holchow, and Para Chom Kiao.

POST OFFICE.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Shanghai.—Per Brindisi to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 10.30 A.M.

For Europe, &c., Australia, India, via Madras, Calcutta, &c., Mauritius.—Per Caledonia to-morrow, the 9th instant, at 11.00 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

BRINDISI, British steamer, 2,120, E. Street, 6th March—London 17th Jan., and Singapore 20th, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

BORMIDA, Italian steamer, 1,498, F. Susini, 4th March—Saigon 28th Feb., General—Carlioz & Co.

CHILVIRA, British steamer, 2,467, R. Cass, 4th March—Calcutta 17th Feb., Penang 24th, and Singapore 27th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHOWPA, British steamer, 1,057, F. W. Phillips, 5th March—Bangkok 27th Feb., Rice and Timber—Yuen Fat Hong.

CICERO, British steamer, 1,400, A. George, 6th March—Saigon 1st March, General—W. Kee.

DEUTEROS, German steamer, 1,197, W. Dine, 6th March—Saigon 1st March, Rice—Slissen & Co.

DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, R. Beliran, 7th March—Manila 4th March, General—Brandao & Co.

DOR FORTER, British steamer, 1,570, D. Morgan, 6th March—Kutchinow 1st March, Coals—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

DROT, Norwegian steamer, 2,180, H. Haasen, 28th Feb.—Kutchinow 22nd Feb., Coals—Mitsui Bishi Cellery.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British steamer, 3,003, Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., 7th March—Yokohama 14th Feb., and Yokohama 20th, General—C. P. Railway Steamship Co.

GARLIC, British steamer, 4,200, Pearce, 3rd March—San Francisco 4th Feb., and Yokohama 27th, Malls and General—O. & O. S. S. Co.

GLENARTNEY, British str., 1,943, J. McGregor, 6th March—London 20th January, Suez 4th February, Penang 24th, and Singapore 27th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HADMAN, German steamer, 647, J. Samuelson, 28th Feb.—Saigon 24th, Rice and Beans—Melchers & Co.

HAILONG, British steamer, 283, J. Roach, 3rd March—Hansu 29th February, Amoy 1st March, and Swatow 2nd, General—D. Laprak & Co.

NECKAR, German steamer, 1,491, J. Roben, 6th March—Shanghai 3rd March, Malls and General—Melchers & Co.

PERSTO, German steamer, 665, J. Jensen, 5th March—Kobe 28th March, General—Chinese.

RIVERSDALE, British steamer, 1,311, Mooney, 6th March—Kobe 28th Feb., General—Dodwell, Carill & Co.

THIRTE, British steamer, 1,665, L. M. Wilmer, 3rd March—Singapore 25th Feb., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

TORRINGTON, British steamer, 1,563, Geo. R. Berwick, 2nd Feb.—Hamburg 4th Touron 31st January, Coal and General—Dodwell, Carill & Co.

WINDWARD, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, 6th March—Calcutta 17th Jan., Penang 24th, and Singapore 27th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YIKSANG, British steamer, 887, T. R. Galworthy, 7th March—Manila 4th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

BARUTO, German barque, 348, Eggert, 7th March—Amoy 2nd March, Ballast—Wiel & Co.

COLOMA, American bark, 870, C. M. Noyes, 2nd Jan.—Portland, Oregon 31st Oct., Spars and Lumber—Order.

DOKORY, British barque, 310, Angus Craig, 21st Feb.—Calcutta 21st January, Timber—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

GOV. ROBIN, American ship, 1,627, A. Nichols, 30th Nov.—New York 7th July, Kerosene Oil—Order.

JOSEPHUS, American ship, 1,490, Smithwick, 25th Jan.—New York 14th August, Kerosene Oil—Order.

PAPA, German barque, 745, F. W. Thdm, 19th Feb.—Hamburg 19th Sept., General—Slissen & Co.

PATRICIAN, American ship, 1,354, E. R. Sterling, 10th Feb.—New York 9th Sept., Kerosene Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SIR WM. WALLACE, British bark, 491, Brown, 20th Feb.—Shanghai 15th Feb., Ballast—Caplain.

TARAPACA, British barque, 495, H. Kennet, 2nd March—Fochow 28th Feb., Ballast—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

VELOCTY, British bark, 491, R. Marill, 19th Dec.—Helsinki 15th November, Ballast—Chinese.

Intimations.

F. Blackhead & Co.,
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS,
and PROVISION MERCHANTS.
NAVF CONTRACTORS, &
GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,
No. 11, Praya Central,
(Opposite Pedder's Wharf).

SOLE AGENTS FOR
RAHTJEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION
THE BOTTOMS OF IRON SHIPS.

HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, specially manufactured for coating the inside of STEEL SHIPS.

SPECIALY SELECTED
EXTRA PRIME PORK and BEEF in Barrels.

AMERICAN PRIME SUGAR-CURED
HAMS and BACON.

CHR. MOTZ & Co., BORDEAUX CLARETS.
CEMENT from the celebrated Factory of Hemmoor.

PLENSBURG STOCK BEER,
ENGINEERS' and BLACKSMITHS'
MACHINERY and TOOLS.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIPS' STORES and REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK.

REASONABLE PRICES.
ALL KINDS OF COALS
SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE.

Des Coteaux & Co. Agents for BRANDY
COGNAC, 4 Stars, selected expressly for F. B. & Co., Sole Agents.

SOLE AGENTS
FOR CHINA AND JAPAN
FOR THE
TULE LIFE PRESERVER
AND RAFT.

Manufactured by the
LEDUC TULE IMPROVEMENT COMPANY,
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Recognized by the scientific world as the
MOST EFFECTIVE DISINFECTANT
DEODORISER and GERMICIDE.

Is neither poisonous nor caustic, may be used
by everybody without the slightest apprehension
of danger.

Hongkong, 8th March 1892.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Eighth Ordinary General Meeting
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the
Office of the Company, Praya Central, on
FRIDAY, the 11th March, at 2.30 o'clock
in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the General Managers, and electing
a dividend and electing a Consulting Committee
and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 25th February to 11th
March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1892.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ninth Ordinary General Meeting
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the
Company's Office, Praya Central, on MON-
DAY, the 21st March, at 3.30 o'clock in the
afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the General Managers, and electing a
Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 6th to 21st instant,
both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1892.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the
KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the
Registered Office of the Company on THURSDAY,
the 10th day of March, 1892, at 3 o'clock in
the afternoon, for the purpose of considering
the proposed Resolution which was passed at
the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the
24th February, 1892—

That in the second and third lines of Article
81 of the Articles of Association the words
"one thousand five hundred dollars" be
struck out, and that there be substituted
thereof the words "one hundred and fifty
dollars."

By Order of the Board,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Kowloon Land Investment
and Agency Co., Ltd.
Agents for the Kowloon Land and
Building Co., Ltd.
Dated this 24th day of February, 1892.

NOTICE
THE SHAMEN HOTEL AND LAND
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Adjourned
Extraordinary General Meeting of
SHAREHOLDERS in the above named
Company will be held in the Company's Office,
No. 5, Pedder's Hill, Hongkong, on MONDAY,
the 14th day of March, 1892, at 2.30 P.M., for
the purpose of considering the advisability of
declaring a Dividend, of electing a new Board of
Directors, and of deciding various matters of great
importance, details of which have been for-
warded by circular to the address of every
registered Shareholder.

Attention is specially directed to the
election of Directors, to Article No. 101 of the
Company's Articles of Association, which reads
as follows—

"No person not a retiring Director shall
unless recommended by the Directors for
election, be eligible for election to the office
of Director at any General Meeting, unless
he, or some other member intending to
propose him, has at least seven clear days
before the meeting left at the Office of the
Company a notice in writing under his
hand signifying his candidature for the
office or the intimation of such member to
propose him."

By Order of the Managing Director,
R. C. HURLEY,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1892.

Mails.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE.

VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Gaila, Thursday 10th March.
Belge, Tuesday 5th April.
Oceano, Thursday 28th April.

THE Steamship "GAELIC"
will be despatched for San Francisco, via
Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 10th March,
at 2 P.M. Connection being made at Yokohama
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan
Ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
From Hongkong, First-class.
To San Francisco, Vancouver,
Victoria, Esquimaux, New
Westminster, Port Townsend,
Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O.,
To Liverpool and London 325.00
To Paris and Bremen 345.00
To Havre and Hamburg 335.00
Through Passage Tickets granted to Eng-
land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic
lines of steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND
CITIES. FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION. 30 days' tickets. Continuous tickets.

Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb. 285.00 291.50
St. Louis, Mo. 292.50 299.00
St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn. 292.50 299.00
Chicago, Ill. 297.50 304.00
Milwaukee, Wis. 299.50 306.00
Cincinnati, Ohio 302.50 309.00
Columbus, Ohio 304.50 311.00
Cleveland, Ohio 306.50 313.00
Toronto, Canada 309.50 316.00
Pittsburg, Penn. 310.50 317.00
Niagara Falls, N.Y., Buffalo, N.Y. 311.00 318.00
Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md. 317.00 324.00
Montreal, Canada 319.75 326.50
Philadelphia, Penn. 319.75 326.50
New York 319.75 326.50
Boston, Mass. 321.15 328.00
Portland, Maine 327.25 334.00

All the above Rates are in Mexican Dollars.
Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European
Officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials and the families.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific
and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern
Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid return
tickets to San Francisco will be issued at fol-
lowing rates—

4 months 337.50
12 months 393.75
Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of
re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or
vice versa) within one year will be allowed a
discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does
not apply to through fares from China and
Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full and same will be received at
the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1892.

Intimations.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRD CALL of One Pound (£1)
per Share is payable on or before the
12th March next.

Shareholders will please bring or send their
Provisional Certificates in order to have payment
endorsed upon them.

Residents at Amoy, Shanghai and Yokohama
can pay at the Bank's Branches there, and at
CANTON, to Messrs. SHEWAN & Co.
FOOCHOW,
By Order of the Court of Directors,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1892.

REDUCTION IN PRICE!

NEW YEAR PRESENTS.

WATERBURY WATCHES

MOST RELIABLE and ACCURATE TIME-KEEPERS.

is now offered for a dollars 50 cents each.

GENTLEMEN'S J SERIES @ \$4.75 EACH.

LADIES' L " " "

Inspection is respectfully invited.

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
8, Queen's Road, Central.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1891.

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO.,
CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCK
MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-
SMITHS, and OPTICIANS.
CHARTS and BOOKS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.

Sole Agents for "Louis Adomus" Watches
and for "Vergil" and "Solus"
celebrated OPERA GLASSES,
MARINE GLASSES, and SPYGLASSES.
No. 8, Queen's Road, Central.

Intimations.

MOUTRIE,
ROBINSON & Co.

HONGKONG,
(London, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama).

PIANOS By all the best makers in the
World.

PIANOS—New and Second Hand—for Cash
at HOME PRICES.

PIANOS purchased by MONTHLY PAY-
MENTS.

PIANOS and ORGANS for HIRE from \$8
per month.

PIANOS TUNED by thoroughly efficient
Tuners.

PIANOS thoroughly REPAIRED OR
REBUILT. (Estimates given).

MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & Co.

(UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL).

NOTICE.

JEY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS
COMPANY, LIMITED.

JEY'S WOOD-PRESERVER OR
ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been
appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale
of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and
are prepared to supply quantities to suit
purchasers, at Wholesale Prices. Extra Special
terms for Shipping and Large Orders.
Sole Agents: RAYDON, C